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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED
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This paper is in response to a non-final Office Action, which was mailed on February 24, 2006. A petition for a 3-month extension of time and required fee are filed herewith.

Please consider the above-referenced application for allowance in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are made in the **Listing of Claims** beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.